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California Watershed Network

I am delighted to extend my greetings on the occasion of Watershed Awareness Month.

California is home to many of America's most pristine rivers, streams and lakes. The maintenance and improvement of these watersheds is essential to protect public health, fisheries, wildlife, agriculture, economic development and recreational activities in the Golden State.

With a steadfast commitment to the environment, Californians gladly join our fellow Americans across the country in recognizing Watershed Awareness Month and helping sustain our natural resources for future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Arnold Schwarzenegger in black ink.

Arnold Schwarzenegger



May 2005 is Watershed Awareness Month!

Join us to celebrate California's first Watershed Awareness Month. May is being celebrated as Watershed Awareness Month to encourage Californians to learn more about their local watersheds and participate in activities to enhance their natural surroundings and communities.

Throughout the month of May, volunteer community organizations, educators, and other groups are encouraged to promote the importance of watersheds at the grassroots and community level by organizing and conducting watershed awareness activities. To celebrate Watershed Awareness Month, participants can take part in watershed walks, water quality monitoring, streamside cleanups, and other activities already taking place in their watersheds, or they can organize an event of their own.

California Watershed Network is encouraging you to share information regarding your community watershed event. An event calendar will be developed and available online at www.watershednetwork.org. Below is information to register your event for May 2005 Watershed Awareness Month as well as a list of possible activities that your group may want to organize.

Watershed Awareness Month Event and Activity Ideas:

- Watershed Project Tours. *Organize a field trip to promote your watershed project.*
- Nature Hikes. *Organize a hike on your favorite trail.*
- Streamside Cleanups. *Conduct cleanups in and around your waterway.*
- Invasive Plant Removal. *Organize an invasive plant removal project.*
- Watershed Group Meeting. *Organize or participate in a local watershed group meeting.*
- Water Quality Demonstration. *Train others to test the water quality of our rivers and streams.*
- Fishing Derby. *Organize a fishing derby.*
- Community Watershed Festival. *Organize a watershed festival or river rally.*

Event Registration

Please register the following event for May 2005 Watershed Awareness Month and email to Mary Lee Knecht: MLKnecht@comcast.net.

Contact Information

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

City:

State

Zip Code

Telephone:

Fax:

Email Address:

Event Information

Event Title:

Event Date(s) and Time(s):

Event Location: (if rural, please include nearest town)

Watershed(s) Involved:

Organization/Contact Person:

Contact Phone: (for public)

Contact Email Address: (for public)

Description or Special Instructions: (40 words or less)

Fees: (if applicable)

Event Sponsor Web Site (if applicable):